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**Subject:** U.S. vs. Global Partners LP, et al, DJ Def. No. 90-5-2-1-11428

Attention: Assistant Attorney General, Environmental and Natural Resources Division

This email is sent in reference to: U.S. vs. Global Partners LP, et al, DJ Def. No. 90-5-2-1-11428; Proposed Consent Decree

I grew up in South Portland from 1970s to 1990s and I, like many other residents remember the rank odor of petroleum that flowed through the neighborhood on a regular basis. **Personal Matters / Ex. 6** not far from the many petroleum tanks near our house. And the toxic smell has gotten worse over the years. For example, recently my mother in her 70's woke up at 2am to a sickening strong smell of petroleum that permeated the house and made her nauseous. That morning, I woke up smelling the petroleum smell around 9am in the morning which means I had been breathing in these toxic VOC fumes for hours while sleeping! How many times this happens during the night when sleeping and we are not even aware of the toxic fumes is outrageous, scary and unacceptable. VOC's have been known to produce adverse health effects such as eye, nose and throat irritation, headaches, nausea, and damage to the liver, kidneys and central nervous system.

I recently heard about the United States vs. Global Partners LP proposed consent decree. I'm angry because the EPA failed to tell residents of South Portland that Global had been violating the Clean Air Act for years before the lawsuit was filed last month. South Portland wasn't even included in negotiating a proposed settlement that would appropriately make up for the damage done to our community.

I beg you to please forgo the proposed consent decree. Global should be assessed daily penalties as outlined in federal law, ranging from \$32,500 per day for each violation after March 15, 2004, to \$97,229 per day for each violation after Nov 2, 2015. I believe these penalties should be given to the city of South Portland to address the needs of citizens impacted by the emissions violations.

I also have major concern for the concentration of emissions that are allowed from various entities in our town. I'm writing in support of an alternative settlement put forward by the South Portland City council to the EPA lawsuit that would do the following:

- 1) make Global pay to establish a citywide air quality monitoring program
- 2) conduct a public health survey
- 3) hire a health officer
- 4) help residents obtain solar panels and heat pumps to reduce fossil fuel emissions

The EPA must ask more from Global and what they must do to reduce emissions that would eliminate noxious odors produced by the facility and air quality monitoring is absolutely necessary to protect our citizens and hold these oil companies accountable. Our health as a community is dependent on it!

Sincerely,  
Kelly Roberts